

REMARKS

At the outset, the Examiner is thanked for the thorough review and consideration of the pending application. The final Office Action dated October 6, 2004 has been received and its contents carefully reviewed.

By this Amendment, Applicant adds new claims 43-61, and cancels claims 1-23, 25-28 and 30-42. In addition, Applicant amends the Specification. No new matter is added to the Specification. Accordingly, claims 43-61 are currently pending. Reexamination and reconsideration of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

In the Office Action, the Examiner objected to claims 1-10 because of informalities; rejected claims 1, 4, 8-11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 27, 30-33, 35, 37, 39-40 and 42 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Franklin et al.* (E.P. Patent Application No. 0477882 A2) in view of *Kameyama et al.* (U.S. Patent No. 6,433,853); rejected claims 5-7, 14-16, 20-22, 25-26, 28, 34, 38 and 41 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Franklin et al.* in view of *Kameyama et al.* and *Moseley et al.* (U.S. Patent No. 6,046,849); rejected claims 2-3, 12, 18 and 36 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Franklin et al.* in view of *Kameyama et al.* and *Deanne et al.* (U.S. Patent No. 6,627,305). Applicant respectfully submits that since claims 1-23, 25-28 and 30-42 are cancelled, the objection and rejections are believed to be moot.

New claim 43 is allowable over the cited references in that claim 43 recites a combination of elements including, for example, "... a retardation layer having first and second polarizing cell areas corresponding to the first and second pixels over the display panel, the first and second polarizing cell areas outputting first and second linearly polarized lights, respectively, the first linearly polarized light being substantially perpendicular to the second linearly polarized light." None of the cited references, singly or in combination, teaches or suggests at least this feature of the claimed invention. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that claim 43, and claims 44-51, which depend therefrom, are allowable over the cited references.

New claim 52 is allowable over the cited references in that claim 43 recites a combination of elements including, for example, "... forming a retardation layer having first and second polarizing cell areas corresponding to the first and second pixels over the display panel

by irradiating a light through a mask." None of the cited references, singly or in combination, teaches or suggests at least this feature of the claimed invention. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that claim 52, and claims 53-61, which depend therefrom, are allowable over the cited references.

Applicant believes the application is in condition for allowance and early, favorable action is respectfully solicited. If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at (202) 496-7500 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance. All correspondence should continue to be sent to the below-listed address.

If these papers are not considered timely filed by the Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for any necessary extension of time, or any other fees required to complete the filing of this response, may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0911. Please credit any overpayment to deposit Account No. 50-0911. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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